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Carver High School

Hello readers! The beautiful days make us think Spring is here, but don't let it fool you.

The March of Dimes, with Mrs. Mozella J. Price, as director, began last week. The posters, gleaners, and all materials are in the hands of all county school children, as well as adults and churches. A movie was sponsored on Wednesday afternoon for the benefit of the March of Dimes. We should all give freely, for we never know where the dreaded disease will strike.

The eleventh grade is planning to publish an issue of the Carver Herald next week. This is an outgrowth of their unit of work on how to write up a school newspaper. Last week they elected their staff:

Editor-in-chief, Clarabelle Minnifield; managing editor, Sarah Watkins; news editor, Jacqueline Lawing; copy editor, Ollie Ferguson; business manager, Eugene Harris; feature editor, Barbara Pankey; art editor, Virginia Lewis; sports editor, Donald Hart; asst. copy editors, Rachel Pankey, Mary Evans; asst. art editors, Delores Jones, Otheaphan Johnson, and Hattie Turner. Other members of the class are reporters.

Mr. J. Rupert Picott, executive secretary of the State Teachers' Association, spoke in Lynchburg at the Hill City teachers meeting on the state retirement system. Mrs. Ora W. Smith and Mr. J. T. Butler were in attendance.

The Tenth Graders are studying reptiles. They all seem interested—maybe it is because they can see some of them.

Miss Lois Finney, Librarian, is ill in the hospital. We miss her, and wish her a speedy recovery. Her ninth grade homeroom reports they are getting something to send to her.

The Seniors are busy studying and writing term papers for the first semester. They are getting necessary material for their bibliographies, outlines, and body of the papers.

The contestants for the Science Contest are working very hard on their project. We hope them much success.

In Home Economics the eleventh grade girls are beginning their dinner unit. They find it interesting.

Eighth grade girls are working hard on their health reports. They are also studying squares and square roots.

Dorothy Turner is very lonely since her friend returned to the army.

Some seem to think Mary Goode is getting interested in some very close friends at school.

Herman Williams, Joe Robinson, Manford Walker are interested in some certain persons at school again.

We must bring our news to a close. Until next week, we sign off.

SOIL MEN TO MEET

Progress in soil conservation in Virginia will come up for discussion at the annual meeting of the Virginia Association of Soil Conservation District Supervisors in Richmond, on January 29 and 30.

Among the keynote speakers will be Waters S. Davis, Jr., League City, Texas, president of the National Association of Soil Conservation Districts.

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Colored Dots

A large crowd attended the regular preaching services at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church last Sunday morning. The pastor delivered the annual New Year's message. The church choir rendered special music. The offering was good. After the regular service Professor J. A. Walker made a plea for the March of Dimes. The church responded in a very fine manner.

An impressive service was held at the First Baptist Church last Sunday morning. The pastor, Rev. Jordon, delivered a special message. The church choir rendered beautiful music. The offering was lifted by visiting deacons.

An unusually large crowd attended the evening services at the Promise Land Baptist Church last Sunday evening. The senior choir of the church rendered special music. All present enjoyed the message.

The general public is invited to worship at the Galilee Baptist Church this Sunday morning. Sunday School will begin promptly at 10:30 and preaching will begin at 11:30. Members are asked to be on time. A special call is issued to any member of the church or community who will offer his or her service in teaching a class of children at the Galilee Sunday School. The need is very great. Will you come and help?

The final call for the plate rally will be made this Sunday morning at the Galilee Baptist Church. Please see Mrs. Stevens and get yours by Sunday. We would like to make a complete report this Sunday.

The following teachers attended the special meeting in Lynchburg Monday evening: Mrs. M. J. Price, Mrs. O. W. Smith, Mrs. Theda Harris, J. A. Walker, Principal J. T. Walker and R. Q. Lawing. The meeting was sponsored by the Hill City Teachers Association.

Miss Helen Stevens left Sunday for Baltimore. She was accompanied on the trip by Mrs. Roberta Gibson. They will return this Friday.

Mrs. M. J. Price left Tuesday for a special meeting in Richmond, Va.

State No.

Report of Condition of "The Bank of Appomattox"

of Appomattox, in the state of Virginia, at the close of business on Dec. 31, 1951. Made to the State Corporation Commission.

ASSETS

1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection	591,430.8
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	568,982.8
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	172,801.6
6. Loans and discounts (including $245.31 overdrafts)	997,729.3
7. Bank premises owned $1278.16, furniture and fixtures $9766.56	11,044.7
8. Real estate owned other than bank premises	1.0
9. Investments and other assets indirectly representing bank premises or other real estate	10,082.6
11. Other assets	1,452.4
12. TOTAL ASSETS	2,353,525.3

LIABILITIES

13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	573,366.5
14. Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	1,397,135.6
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	4,086.1
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	218,403.7
18. Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	16,254.5
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	$2,209,246.00
23. Other liabilities	9,174.7
24. TOTAL Liabilities (not including subordinated obligations shown below)	2,218,420.7

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

29. Capital*	40,000.0
26. Surplus	60,000.0
27. Undivided Profits	35,104.6
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	135,104.6
30. TOTAL Liabilities and Capital Accounts	2,353,525.3

*This bank's capital consists of:
Common stock with total par value of $40,000.00

MEMORANDA

31. Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes	270,021.3

I, J. C. Davidson, Cashier, of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true and that it fully and correctly represents the true state of the several matters herein contained and set forth to the best our my knowledge and belief.

J. C Davidson

Correct—Attest:

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J. A. Burke — Directors
C. W. Smith

State of Va., County of Appomattox, ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of Jan., 1952, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.
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Report On Infrared Tests

Results of research on brooding chicks with infrared lamps has been summarized by V. H. Baker, agricultural engineer of theVirginia Agricultural Experiment Station.

Baker said three years of testing have indicated these advantages for infrared brooding: less labor, low equipment cost, safe, instant controllable heat, easy installation and operation of equipment, and easy storage of equipment.

In addition, he said, the chicks can be seen at all times, the infrared brooders may be adapted to all size broods in most types of houses, and water will not freeze in the comfort zone of lamps.

On the ther side of the ledger, Baker sees these possible disadvantages: the cost of energy per chick, but not necessarily the total cost of brooding, may be higher than conventional methods of brooding. The higher energy costs may be offset by lower initial cost and convenience.

The loss of light and heat due to power outages may cause the birds to pile up and smother or chill.

Ventilation is a problem with infrared brooding. If proper ventilation is not used, excess moisture will accumlate in the litter outside the heated area.

In his tests, Baker said, the energy for winter brooding was from 2 to 3 kwh per chick when the lamps remained on continuously the first eight weeks. The lowest outside temperature during the tests was 15 degrees.

The litter stayed dry under the heated area throughout the brooding period Chicks seemed healthy and contented under the lamps. Light was available so the chicks could eat 24 hours a day. There was no significant difference in feathering, weight gained, number or size of eggs laid by chicks brooded with infrared compared with those brooded with wood and coal brooders.

Infrared energy did not seem to have any harmful effects on the eyes of the chicks, nor was there any increase in cannibalism. The mortality was as low or lower than for other methods of brooding.

Baker said the research is being continued, and the new data will be released as it becomes available.

The research is being conducted by the departments of agricultural engineering and poultry of the Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station, in cooperation with the USDA Farm Electrification Division.

A new circular, No. 535, "Infrared Brooding" is now available from the VPI Agricultural Extension Service, Blacksburg. Answers to many questions poultrymen ask about infrared brooding are listed. Write for a free copy or see your county agent.

Local Duroc Breeder Qualifies In Program

Peoria, Ill.- There are high-producing sows in the G. A. Shirey Duroc herd of Spout Spring, Va. He recently received recognition for his accomplishments in the Duroc News, national magazine for Duroc Swine producers.

Shirey entered a sow that produced a qualifying litter during the past month in the Production Registry program of the United Duroc Record Association, publisher of the Duroc News.

To qualify in Production Registry, a sow must raise at least eight pigs in a litter. If the dam is a gift, the litter must weigh a minimum of 275 pounds when 56 days old. Pigs from a sow over 15 months of age must weigh 320 pounds at 56 days.

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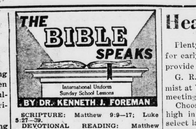

1. SCRIPTURE: Matthew 9:9—17; Luke 5:27-39.
2. DEVOTIONAL READING: Matthew 10:16-28.

About Face

Lesson for January 20, 1952

Dr. Foremon

TAX collectors and customs officers in these days are highly respectable men. They are not (officially) popular; but every one knows they are necessary. What they collect is fixed by law, and they get no commission on their collections. They live on a salary also fixed by law. If anyone feels "gouged" by taxes he never accuses the collector, the fault is somewhere else.

Now in Palestine, in the time of Christ, it was different. Throughout the gospels the name "publican" or, as translated in present-day English, "tax-collector", is evidently a name for a mean man. Jesus himself used publicans as examples of the lowest level of society. The reason was this: In the Roman system of tax collection, the privilege of levying taxes in a given district was "farmed out", that is to say, offered at auction. The highest bidder was given the franchise, and then he, or men he hired, would proceed to collect all the traffic would bear.

Palestine at that time was under the Romans, and the Jews had the army of occupation with them year after year. What the tax collectors did was to turn over to the Romans what the Romans wanted, and everything over and above that amount went into the collector's strong-box.

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A Christian's Job

ONE day Jesus just said "follow me" to one of these men, named Matthew, and the man got up and followed him. So far as we know, he never set foot in his office again. Very likely, as a great preacher has suggested, this was not the first time Matthew had seen Jesus. Possibly they had had conversations before, out of business hours. The preacher goes on to suggest that Matthew may have come to loathe his job, but never have seen just how he could leave it.

Be that as it may, Matthew understood quite well that he could not be both a publican and a follower of Jesus. This raises a question: Are there occupations today which a true Christian cannot follow without sin?

There was a dope peddler one night sitting on a stone wall outside a New England church. Somehow the Spirit of God blessed the singing that night, for one of the hymns sang its way straight into that man's heart, and that very hour he threw his packet of dope away and became a Christian. He never went back to that business. We can all see that he was right; but are there other businesses also that cannot have the blessing of Christ upon them?

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Whom Do You Follow?

THE story of Matthew suggests also that every one is some kind of follower. Some people just "follow their noses", that is, they just keep on in the routine of their lives, doing today what they did yesterday just because they have the habit of living in this way. Others follow an ambition, others a desire for revenge, others follow pleasure, others attach themselves to a leader (political, social or what not) and follow somebody else's band-wagon.

The tragedy of the Christian church is that although every Christian, or rather every church member, has solemnly promised to follow Jesus Christ, they don't all follow him, by any means. They go right on following habit, or pleasure, or ambition, and they do not ask (as Matthew must have asked) whether these things are such as Christ can bless, or not.

In spite of Jesus' plain statement: You cannot serve God and Mammon (the god of money), people go right on serving Mammon in spite of their Christian profession.

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About Face!

THE word "conversion" means simply "turning around". It means turning all the way around. When the sergeant says "About Face!" it won't do for the rookie to twist his face around, or to turn one foot. It's all the way or nothing.

Yet when Jesus our Commander gives the command "About Face!" how many Christians barely move a muscle!

The church is too well loaded with half-converted people. They are turned around enough to go to church, but the rest of the week they are headed just the same way the world is headed. What we need is more Matthews, converted 100 per cent.

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Healthy Plants For Good Crop

Plenty of healthy, vigorous plants for early transplanting are needed to provide a high quality tobacco crop.

G. R. Mathews, associate agronomist at VPI, has these suggestions for meeting that requirement:

Choose a site with well-drained soil high in organic matter. If possible, select land that has an east or south exposure and is protected from the wind. Do not locate the bed where it be shaded by trees or where water from diseased fields will be draining. Many Virginia growers are now locating beds at the edge of a wooded area in open fields or near the house. A protected bed near the house where a good supply of water is available is desirable. If blackshank or Granville wilt were present in 1951, use a new plant bed site for the 1952 crop.

Narrow beds are recommended, being easier to dust or spray, easier to weed, and the plants can be drawn without walking on the seedlings in the bed. Narrow plant bed canvas is now available in two and three yard widths.

Be sure to use a fertilizer prepared especially for plant beds. If the beds were treated with cynamid in the fall for weed control, cut the rate of fertilization in half. In addition to the fertilizer, add one quarter pound of 20 percent superphosphate per square yard.

Use one tablespoonful of seed for each 100 square yard of the plant bed area. Mix the seed of fertilizer and sow in two directions to get uniform distribution of the seed. After seeding, roll or tamp the soil lightly.

Experimental and practical results indicate that the month of February is generally the best time to seed tobacco plant beds in Virginia.

Lester E. Bowles

Funeral services for Lester E. Bowles, who died Friday, January 4, in a Newport News hospital, were held Monday, January 7, at Fauber's Funeral Home in Lynchburg, with burial in the Spring Hill Cemetary. Besides his wife, Mr. Bowles is survived by one daughter, Margaret Gibbs of New York and one sister of Georgia.

Vera 4-H Club

The vera 4-H Club held its regular meeting, Tuesday, January 8, and discussed the cases and treatment of common colds. The boys studied electricity. The girls made plans for improvement of homes.

—Etta Beale, Reporter

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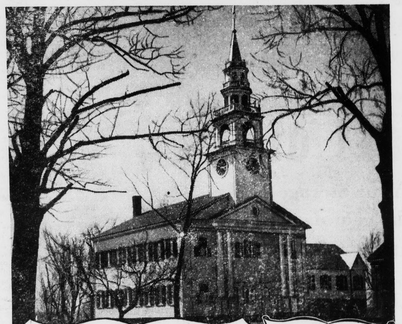

Part of this DEBT is YOURS

No, not the national debt. That is merely a financial obligation, and you already know that part of it is yours. What is meant is the *service* debt that you owe to your family and to society.

The Church shown here is one of thousands which are carrying the load of responsibility for a better kind of citizenship, for international peace, and for the greater acceptance of those higher values which alone can lead people into the better life and save the world from destroying itself.

No matter what your estimate of this or that church may be, the fact is that in the Church, and in the Bible which is its written word, lies the world's one hope.

Every responsible person owes a part of civilization's debt to the Church. For the sake of your children—for the sake of humanity—for *your own* sake—why not take an interest in the Church? Let's give religion a chance to do what it will do when today's unchurched millions are added to the forces for good already at work.

THE CHURCH FOR ALL . . . ALL FOR THE CHURCH

The Church is the greatest force or agency for the building of character and good citizenship. It is a storehouse of spiritual values. Without a strong Christian church, neither democracy, nor civilization can survive. There are four sound reasons why every person should contribute regularly and support the Church. They are: (1) For his own sake. (2) For his children's sake. (3) For the sake of his community and nation. (4) For the sake of the Church itself, which needs his moral and material support. Plan to go to church regularly and read your Bible daily.

Book	Chapter	Verses
Sunday....Deuter'my	6	4-13
Monday....Matthew	13	44-52
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